

SENATE No. 549

By Mr. Costello, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 549) of Nicholas J. Costello, John Patrick Houston, William B. Golden, Thomas C. Norton, John W. Olver and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to access for elderly home care services. Human Services and Elderly Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Eight.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO ACCESS FOR ELDERLY HOME CARE SERVICES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Clause (C) of section 4 of chapter 19 of the General Laws, as
- 2 appearing in the 1986 Official Edition, is hereby amended by
- 3 adding after the word "feasible", in line 73, the following words:
- 4 — , provided that said services shall be available to any resident
- 5 of the commonwealth over the age of sixty whose income falls
- 6 within the guidelines established by the department, and whose
- 7 level of functional impairment and lack of access to necessary
- 8 assistance are sufficient to establish a need for such services.

